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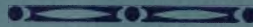
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Annual Report
of
SOMERVILLE, MAINE



for the year ending FEBRUARY 28... **1957**

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Annual Report
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
OF THE
Plantation of
SOMERVILLE, MAINE



For the Municipal Year
ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957

From the Press of
CHARLES E. NASH & SON
Augusta, Maine

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Real Estate, resident.....	\$25,150.00
Real Estate, non-resident.....	31,425.00
Total Real Estate.....	\$56,575.00
Personal Estate, resident.....	\$ 7,315.00
Personal Estate, non-resident.....	260.00
Total Personal Estate.....	\$ 7,575.00
Total Valuation.....	\$64,150.00
Tax Rate 124 mills.	

APPROPRIATIONS

Assessors' Office.....	Excise Taxes
Officers' Salaries.....	\$ 600.00
Collection of Taxes.....	300.00
Town Roads and Bridges.....	1,200.00
State Aid Maintenance.....	100.00
Cutting Bushes.....	150.00
Snow Removal.....	1,300.00
State Aid Construction.....	600.00
Schools.....	3,200.00
Memorial Day.....	15.00
Interest and Discount.....	75.00
State Nurse.....	15.00
Street Lights.....	54.00
Fire Prevention.....	100.00
Total Appropriation.....	\$7,709.00
County Tax.....	\$310.80
Overlay.....	84.80
Supplementary Taxes.....	18.00
Total Commitment.....	\$8,122.60

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ASSESSORS' OFFICE

Appropriation (Excise Taxes).....	\$560.76	
Town Meeting Lunch Money.....	4.50	
		<hr/> \$565.26

Expenditures

E. Ashley Walters, Jr., treasurer's bond	\$ 25.00	
Marks Printing House, supplies.....	35.14	
Edith Whitehouse, real estate transfers	4.50	
Edith Whitehouse, recording liens.....	30.00	
Maine Municipal Association, dues....	20.00	
Cross Pharmacy, vaccine.....	3.40	
Charles E. Nash & Son, town reports	98.00	
Hutchins Bros., supplies.....	5.40	
Francis W. Jacob, audit.....	110.00	
Central Maine Power Co., town house lights.....	4.00	
First Nat'l Granite Bank, service charge	4.14	
A. R. Colby, elections.....	24.00	
A. R. Colby, out of town business.....	10.00	
E. R. Hamilton, elections.....	24.00	
E. R. Hamilton, out of town business..	10.00	
D. N. Hewett, elections.....	24.00	
D. N. Hewett, out of town business....	15.00	
D. N. Hewett, postage and telephone..	7.71	
Edmond Cyr, janitor of town house....	12.00	
Marion Brown, town house lights.....	14.40	
Marion Brown, signing deeds and liens.	19.25	
Marion Brown, recordings.....	4.00	
A. H. Snow, postage and telephone....	7.60	
Dr. Lester Gross, polio clinic.....	10.00	
Treasurer of State, water test.....	4.50	
C. A. Brown, out of town business.....	5.00	
C. A. Brown, postage and telephone...	7.00	
Unexpended.....	27.22	
		<hr/> \$565.26

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OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation	\$600.00
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Expenditures

A. H. Snow, Supt. of Schools	\$142.17	
C. A. Brown, Treasurer	75.00	
Marion Brown, Clerk	10.00	
Lamont Grotton, Constable	20.00	
Edna M. Hamilton, School Committee	10.00	
L. E. Hewett, School Committee	10.00	
Nina Colby, School Committee	10.00	
Nina Colby, Health Officer	15.00	
D. N. Hewett, Moderator	3.00	
D. N. Hewett, Assessor	150.00	
A. R. Colby, Assessor	75.00	
E. R. Hamilton, Assessor	65.00	
Unexpended	14.83	
	<hr/>	\$600.00

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Unpaid Bills of 1955-56	\$338.84
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Expenditures

Erskine Academy	\$266.04
Director of Internal Revenue	72.80
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INCOME TAX WITHHOLDINGS

Received from Employees	\$372.40
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Expenditures

Director of Internal Revenue	\$296.80	
Due Director of Internal Revenue	75.60	
	<hr/>	\$372.40

MAINE TEACHERS RETIREMENT

Received from Employees.....	\$103.00
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Expenditures

State Treasurer.....	\$103.00
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TOWN ROADS AND BRIDGES

Balance from 1956.....	\$ 426.12
Appropriation.....	1,200.00
State of Maine, hurricane money.....	187.50
	<hr/> \$1,813.62

Expenditures

Forest Peaslee, truck and labor.....	\$608.70
Husseys General Store, material.....	5.25
Harley Hoffses, material.....	3.75
Hussey Hardware Co., material.....	17.00
Byron French, truck.....	65.74
Byron French, labor.....	28.88
Raymond Jones, shovel operator.....	36.08
Raymond Jones, truck.....	68.68
Wallace Glidden, gravel.....	12.70
George Miller, gravel.....	.30
Glennie Hisler, gravel.....	8.90
Blanche Marshall, gravel.....	16.00
Carroll Jones, labor.....	56.18
Stanley Crosby, labor.....	4.73
Clifton Peaslee, truck.....	23.60
Elden Bartlett, truck.....	61.95
Wendel Brown, truck.....	43.55
Delbert Andrews, shovel.....	87.12
Horace Snow, labor.....	12.60
Joseph Turner, material and labor.....	90.82
Roland Jones, tractor.....	15.00
Sanford S. Bartlett, labor.....	3.15
Rupert Clifford, tractor and labor.....	189.53
Cleo Bartlett, tractor.....	54.25

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Cleo Bartlett, labor.....	32.56	
A. R. Colby, labor.....	33.78	
Frank Packard.....	8.40	
Unexpended.....	224.42	
		<hr/> \$1,813.62

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation.....	\$1,300.00	
State of Maine.....	1,120.91	
Due from State.....	862.18	
Somerville Plantation.....	6.89	
		<hr/> \$3,289.98

Expenditures

Clyde Crummett.....	\$ 462.69	
Herbert Sturtevant.....	40.85	
Clifton Crummett.....	9.68	
C. A. Brown, truck.....	1,926.88	
C. A. Brown, tractor and loader.....	174.08	
Cleber Cooley, Jr., truck.....	34.80	
Somerville Plantation, sander.....	6.89	
W. H. Shurtleff Co., salt.....	123.52	
Paul French.....	6.56	
Edmond Cyr.....	22.84	
Glennie Hisler, sand.....	11.00	
Balance to 1957.....	470.20	
		<hr/> \$3,289.98

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriation.....	\$150.00	
Overdraft.....	144.81	
		<hr/> \$294.81

Expenditures

Horace Snow.....	\$25.20	
Forest Peaslee, truck and labor.....	63.60	
Byron French, truck and labor.....	82.87	
Merle French.....	54.07	

James French.....	54.07	
D. N. Hewett, tractor.....	15.00	
		<hr/> \$294.81

MAINTENANCE OF STATE AID ROADS

Appropriation.....	\$100.00
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Expenditures

State Treasurer.....	\$97.60	
Unexpended.....	2.40	
		<hr/> \$100.00

TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT

Received from State.....	\$4,559.09	
Transferred from State Aid.....	600.00	
		<hr/> \$5,159.09

Expenditures

Bancroft and Martin, culverts.....	\$685.95
A. A. Bartlett, foreman.....	194.68
Chester Wallace, dozer.....	922.50
Chester Wallace, shovel.....	631.05
Chester Wallace, truck.....	184.25
Chester Wallace, grader.....	21.90
Robert Hannon.....	101.85
Howard Carver.....	103.95
Clifton Crummett.....	18.90
Elden Bartlett.....	315.95
Clifton Peaslee.....	162.25
Cleo Bartlett.....	53.60
Cleber Cooley, Jr.....	599.65
State Sand and Gravel, compressor....	53.01
Wendel Brown.....	53.60
Clifton Brann.....	264.25
Forest Peaslee, grader.....	73.00
Clyde Billings.....	261.30
Arthur Kennedy.....	77.05

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Edson Wellman, gravel.....	16.20	
Town of Washington, gravel.....	16.20	
Glennie Hisler, gravel.....	153.00	
R. Klukowsky, gravel.....	194.60	
Unexpended.....	.40	
	<hr/>	\$5,159.09

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Appropriation.....	\$15.00
<i>Expenditures</i>	
State Treasurer.....	\$15.00

FIRE PREVENTION

Balance from 1956.....	\$429.60	
Appropriation.....	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$529.60
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Blanchard Associates, Inc., nozzle.....	\$ 4.86	
D. N. Hewett, truck supplies.....	1.50	
Coopers Mills Vol. Fire Dept., truck...	125.00	
Balance to 1957.....	398.24	
	<hr/>	\$529.60

PORCUPINE BOUNTY

Received from State.....	\$165.00	
Due from State.....	13.50	
	<hr/>	\$178.50
<i>Expenditures</i>		
C. A. Brown, Treasurer.....	\$150.00	
Harris Day.....	11.00	
Forest Hisler.....	6.00	
Talbot Cooley.....	4.00	
Gladys Hamlin.....	2.00	
Clyde Crummett.....	5.50	
	<hr/>	\$178.50

CHADWICK ACCOUNT

Received from State	\$ 88.00	
Due from State	15.00	
Balance from 1956	82.32	
	<hr/>	\$185.32

Expenditures

Husseys General Store	\$ 75.45	
William B. Hewett	40.00	
Clyde Bailey	22.50	
D. N. Hewett	3.60	
Unexpended	43.77	
	<hr/>	\$185.32

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$54.00
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Expenditures

Central Maine Power Co.	54.00
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CIVIL DEFENSE

Balance from 1956	\$149.00
Balance to 1957	\$149.00

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Appropriation	\$300.00	
Sale of Property, costs recovered ...	554.77	
	<hr/>	\$854.77

Expenditures

C. A. Brown, cost of liens	\$ 60.00
C. A. Brown, Excise Com.	14.85
C. A. Brown, 1956 Com.	284.31
C. A. Brown, 1955 Com.	12.44
C. A. Brown, 1954 Com.	1.50
C. A. Brown, 1953 Com.93

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C. A. Brown, 1952 Com.....	1.44	
C. A. Brown, 1951 Com.....	3.15	
C. A. Brown, 1949 Com.....	1.42	
Balance to 1957.....	474.73	
	<hr/>	\$854.77

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation.....	\$	15.00
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Expenditures

Lawrence Small.....	\$	15.00
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INTEREST AND DISCOUNT

Appropriation.....	\$	75.00
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Expenditures

First National Granite Bank, interest..	\$	35.88
Somerville Plantation, discount.....		33.97
Unexpended.....		5.15
	<hr/>	\$75.00

TEMPORARY LOAN

Received of First National Granite Bank.....	\$4,500.00
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Expenditures

First National Granite Bank.....	\$4,500.00
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COUNTY TAX

Appropriation.....	\$	310.80
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Expenditures

County Treasurer.....	\$	310.80
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Director of Internal Revenue.....	\$	75.60
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ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

State of Maine, snow	\$862.18	
State of Maine, porcupine bounty . . .	13.50	
State of Maine, Chadwick rent	15.00	
	<hr/>	\$890.68

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

	Overdrafts	Unexpended
Town Roads and Bridges		\$224.42
State Aid Maintenance		2.40
Town Road Improvement40
Assessors Office		27.22
Officers' Salaries		14.83
Interest and Discount		5.15
Cutting Bushes	\$144.81	
Total Unexpended	129.61	
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	\$274.42	\$274.42

ASSETS

Cash, operating	\$3,012.76	
Cash, savings account	216.16	
Uncollected Taxes	1,501.84	
Tax Liens	1,309.60	
Costs of Liens	211.75	
Interest on Liens	97.03	
Accounts Receivable	890.68	
	<hr/>	\$7,239.82

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$75.60	
Departmental Balances	2,042.68	
Total Assets over Liabilities	5,121.54	
	<hr/>	\$7,239.82

Appropriation	Voted for 1956	Suggested for 1957
Assessors' office.....	Excise Taxes	Excise Taxes
Officers' salaries.....	\$ 600.00	\$ 700.00
Collection of taxes.....	300.00	*None
Town roads and bridges.....	1,200.00	1,200.00
State Aid Maintenance.....	100.00	100.00
Cutting bushes.....	150.00	250.00
Snow removal.....	1,300.00	*1,000.00
State Aid Construction.....	600.00	600.00
Schools.....	3,200.00	*3,350.00
Memorial Day.....	15.00	15.00
Interest and Discount.....	75.00	75.00
State Nurse.....	15.00	15.00
Street lights.....	54.00	54.00
Fire prevention.....	100.00	*100.00
Civil Defense.....	None	*150.00
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	\$7,709.00	\$7,609.00

*See individual account for balance carried to 1957

The assessors wish to express their appreciation to all persons, resident and non-resident, who cooperated this past year in preventing forest fires in Somerville. We feel it is very remarkable when a municipality such as ours, where woodland is our greatest resource and where there is so much activity in various kinds of lumbering operations, does not have to spend anything for fire suppression. May we thank you and ask for your continued cooperation in 1957.

Respectfully submitted,

D. N. HEWETT

A. R. COLBY

E. R. HAMILTON

Assessors

TREASURER'S REPORT

<i>Receipt</i>				
<i>Date</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Received from</i>	<i>For What</i>	<i>Amount</i>
1956				
Feb.				
29		Cash Balance.....		\$ 1,833.10
April				
26	5259	Lawrence French, credit on tax liens.....		50.00
27	5260	State of Maine, porcupine bounties.....		146.50
27	5261	State of Maine, Chadwick rent.....		8.00
May				
2	5262	Joseph Mills, tax liens costs & int. on Dube property.....		100.00
3	5263	State of Maine, Chadwick rent.....		8.00
3	5264	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 1.....		115.80
10	5265	Victor Bowman, Rec. on acct. 1953 tax lien.....		10.00
25	5266	State of Maine, snow removal 1955 & 56.....		1,904.40
June				
7	5267	Raymond & Louise Noyes, lien costs & int.....		9.28
7	5268	Louise Noyes, lien costs & int.....		9.03
7	5269	State of Maine.....		187.50
16	5270	Orrin Crummett, tax liens, costs & int. for town property.....		103.00
16	5271	Somerville Plt., rental on sander.....		6.89
Aug.				
1	5272	State of Maine, Chadwick rent.....		24.00
10	5273	State of Maine, porcupine bounties.....		79.50
13	5274	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. shts. No. 2 & 2A.....		2,237.40
Sept.				
15	5275	Chauncy Hallowell, sale of Foster lot.....		300.00
28	5276	Hilda & William Morang, liens costs & int.....		5.80
29	5277	Alton Wellman, liens costs & int.....		30.09
Oct.				
5	5278	VOID		
9	5279	Andrew Hisler, tax lien on property of same....		10.53
12	5280	Anthony Fetory, tax lien on property of same....		43.89
27	5281	Charlie Bell, tax lien on property of same.....		22.85
Nov.				
15	5282	State of Maine, Chadwick rent.....		8.00
17	5283	State of Maine, Chadwick rent.....		8.00

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<i>Receipt</i>				
<i>Date</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Received from</i>	<i>For What</i>	<i>Amount</i>
19	5284	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 3.....		875.06
19	5285	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 4.....		764.04
28	5286	Genevive Watts, tax liens costs & int.....		70.75
28	5287	State of Maine, Chadwick rent.....		16.00
Dec.				
12	5288	State of Maine, Town Rd. improvement fund...		4,559.09
21	5289	State of Maine, educational subsidies, 1956 & 57		2,925.00
1957				
Jan.				
22	5290	Lawrence French, tax liens costs & int. on prop- erty of same.....		269.64
24	5291	Byron French, tax liens on property of same....		194.23
25	5292	Frank Turner, tax liens on property of same....		18.90
Feb.				
11	5293	Harold Farley, tax liens on property of same....		60.83
11	5294	First National Granite Bank, temporary loan on 10-11-56.....		4,500.00
11	5295	Town Employees income tax & M.T.R.A.....		185.60
11	5296	Town Employees income tax & M.T.R.A.....		241.50
11	5297	Town Employees income tax & M.T.R.A.....		24.15
15	5298	Forest Peaslee, tax liens costs & int.....		228.79
15	5299	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 5.....		1,014.08
15	5300	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 6.....		675.24
20	5301	George Bowman, 1953 lien costs & int.....		26.59
25	5302	State of Maine, Chadwick rent.....		16.00
25	5303	State of Maine, Porcupine bounty.....		114.00
26	5304	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 7.....		2,043.26
26	5305	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 8.....		266.81
26	5306	Town Employees income tax & M.T.R.A.....		24.15
26	5307	Persons attending Town Meeting, lunches served		4.50
27	5308	Robert Peaslee, 1954 tax lien costs & int.....		15.78
28	5309	C. A. Brown, coll., coll. sheet No. 9.....		198.91
Total.....				\$26,594.46
Treasurer's Warrants 1 to 18, inclusive				\$23,581.70
Check Book Balance Feb. 28, 1957.....				3,012.76
				<hr/> \$26,594.46

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. BROWN, *Treasurer*

SCHEDULE OF TAX MORTGAGE LIENS

	1955	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1947	1946 to 1943	1940	ins.	Total Face Value	Costs of Liens	In- terest
Bartlett, Grace.....	\$ 28.00	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	28.00	\$ 6.25	\$ 1.12
Bartlett, William E.....	—	8.70	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8.70	3.25	.78
Bartlett, William E. & Samuel Jr.....	11.20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.20	3.25	.45
Babb, Fred, Heirs.....	2.80	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.80	6.25	.11
Brann, Elizabeth, Heirs.....	61.60	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	61.60	6.25	2.46
Bowman, Victor.....	—	—	7.15	—	2.07	—	—	—	—	—	9.22	3.25	.65
Bowman, George.....	—	22.04	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.04	9.25	1.98
Dostie, Avit.....	8.96	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8.96	3.25	.36
French, Byron.....	44.80	46.40	31.90	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	123.10	15.75	8.41
French, Ernest.....	58.80	60.90	57.75	61.36	64.48	18.45	—	—	—	—	321.74	36.55	26.26
Glidden, Elmer, Heirs.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.23	—	—	12.23	6.00	—
Gilley, M. H.....	89.60	92.80	88.00	93.25	—	—	—	—	—	—	363.65	25.00	28.54
Hisler, Frank L.....	75.60	78.30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	153.90	12.50	10.07
Hisler, Moody, Heirs.....	—	—	—	—	24.80	—	—	—	—	—	24.80	6.25	2.36
Hill, William.....	—	—	—	—	—	11.07	—	—	—	—	11.07	3.25	.99
Marston, Henry E.....	—	—	5.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5.50	3.25	.49
M. Freeman & L. Slattery.....	—	2.90	2.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5.65	6.50	.51
Packard, Frank.....	—	11.60	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.60	3.25	1.04
Turner, Frank & Flora Burnett.....	16.98	20.88	19.80	21.24	22.32	—	—	—	—	—	101.22	16.25	8.50
Turner, Brooks.....	1.12	1.16	1.10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.38	9.75	.25
Tardiff, Mathier.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.60	2.50	—	—	9.10	6.95	.95
Watson, Charles.....	2.24	2.32	2.20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.76	9.75	.50
Jones, Athlee.....	1.12	1.16	1.10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.38	9.75	.25
	\$402.82	\$349.16	\$217.25	\$175.85	\$113.67	\$29.52	\$6.60	\$14.73	\$1,309.60	\$211.75	\$97.03		

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. BROWN, Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1956 TAX ACCOUNT

Commitment.....	\$8,104.60
Supplementary Taxes.....	18.00
Total.....	<u>\$8,122.60</u>
Cash to Treasurer.....	\$7,107.72
Uncollected.....	1,014.88
	<u>\$8,122.60</u>

*Paid after books were closed

1956 SCHEDULE OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES

	Real Estate	Personal	Poll	Total
Bartlett, Grace.....	\$ 31.00	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 31.00
*Bartlett, S. L.....	72.54	21.08	—	93.62
Bartlett, Samuel Jr.....	1.24	—	—	1.24
Bartlett, Samuel Jr. & William	12.40	—	—	12.40
*Burnham, Arthur.....	31.00	6.20	—	37.20
Day, Harris.....	7.44	1.24	—	8.68
Day, Merle, Heirs.....	6.20	—	—	6.20
Dyer, Ralph.....	—	—	3.00	3.00
French, Ernest, Heirs.....	65.10	—	—	65.10
French, Russell.....	—	—	3.00	3.00
French, Lawrence.....	—	—	3.00	3.00
Gilley, M. H.....	99.20	31.00	—	130.20
Hisler, Frank L.....	83.70	1.24	2.28	87.22
Hisler, Richard.....	3.10	6.20	—	9.30
Jones, Flossie.....	58.50	—	—	58.50
Jackson, William Jr.....	—	8.68	—	8.68
Lunn, Baldwin.....	28.52	—	3.00	31.52
Nickerson Vernald & Gladys..	80.60	6.20	—	86.80
Packard, Frank.....	12.40	7.44	3.00	22.84
*Perkins, Harvey.....	4.54	—	—	4.54
Sleeper, Frederick A.....	—	1.24	—	1.24
Studley, Bessie.....	—	6.20	—	6.20
*Turner, Joseph.....	7.14	—	—	7.14
Watson, Charles.....	2.48	—	3.00	5.48

	Real Estate	Personal	Poll	Total
NON-RESIDENT				
Babb, Fred, Heirs.....	3.10	—	—	3.10
Bartlett, William E.....	9.30	—	—	9.30
Bowman, Victor.....	8.06	—	—	8.06
Burgess, Horace.....	12.40	—	—	12.40
Cronk, Frank & Jennie.....	37.20	—	—	37.20
Creamer, Earl.....	3.10	—	—	3.10
Dostie, Avit.....	9.92	—	—	9.92
*Freedman, Michael & Slattery, Lawrence.....	3.10	—	—	3.10
Johnson, James L. & Margaret W.....	20.46	—	—	20.46
Jones, Athlee.....	1.24	—	—	1.24
Lewis, Ruel.....	68.20	—	—	68.20
Marr, Myron.....	3.10	—	—	3.10
Miller, George.....	4.96	—	—	4.96
Mills, Joseph.....	6.20	—	—	6.20
Noyes, Louise.....	6.20	—	—	6.20
Noyes, Raymond & Louise...	12.40	—	—	12.40
Pitcher, Ernest, Heirs.....	34.10	—	—	34.10
Pierce, Paul F.....	24.80	—	—	24.80
Ricker, Arnold.....	21.70	—	—	21.70
Turner, Brooks, Heirs.....	1.24	—	—	1.24
Total.....	\$897.88	\$96.72	\$20.28	\$1,014.88

1949 TAX ACCOUNT

Uncollected Balance February 28, 1956.....	\$ 41.45
Cash to Treasurer.....	\$ 35.60
Uncollected.....	5.85
	<hr/> \$ 41.45

1951 TAX ACCOUNT

Uncollected Balance February 28, 1956.....	\$141.70
Cash to Treasurer.....	\$ 78.74
Uncollected.....	62.96
	<hr/> \$141.70

1952 TAX ACCOUNT

Uncollected Balance February 28, 1956.....	\$149.58
Cash to Treasurer.....	\$ 36.01
Uncollected.....	113.57
	<hr/> \$149.58

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1953 TAX ACCOUNT

Uncollected Balance February 28, 1956.....		\$112.90
Cash to Treasurer.....	\$ 23.35	
Uncollected.....	89.55	
	<hr/>	\$112.90

1954 TAX ACCOUNT

Uncollected Balance February 28, 1956.....		\$132.64
Cash to Treasurer.....	\$ 37.42	
Uncollected.....	95.22	
	<hr/>	\$132.64

1955 TAX ACCOUNT

Uncollected Balance February 28, 1956.....		\$893.66
Cash to Treasurer.....	\$311.00	
Tax Liens to Treasurer.....	507.92	
Uncollected.....	74.74	
	<hr/>	\$893.66

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. BROWN, *Collector*

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CLERK'S REPORT

DOG REPORT

Males	Females	Spayed	Total
27	1	5	33

MARION BROWN

Clerk

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

For the Fiscal year 1956-57

Under the present law, State aid to towns is based on the State valuation per resident pupil enrolled in the public schools. At the present time Somerville is classed as a three town which means that we should receive State support of educational operating expenditures on the basis of 60 per cent of the average expenditures for the two school years ending in June 1955 and '56. The following items are subject to State subsidy: teachers' salaries, books, supplies, fuel, janitor, conveyance and tuition. Also insurance, instructional equipment replaced, school committee and superintendent's salary and office expense will be subsidized by the State. However the Legislature does not always provide funds to meet this commitment. There is enough money in the State treasury to pay only 82 per cent of the educational formula for the 1957-58 fiscal year. The allocation to Somerville on this basis will be \$2,894.60. This is the figure used by your school committee in preparing the 1957-58 school budget.

In order to carry out certain legislative requirements it has been necessary to ask for slightly increased appropriation for the school. However these costs are not out of line with increased costs in general today. All who are interested in the welfare of boys and girls realize that the work must be well organized under the leadership of a competent teacher if the pupils are properly trained to take their desired place in the present complex society. It is evident that further support of schools is needed where costs are mounting each year. It is possible that Federal aid may become available to help small towns support their schools in the not too distant future.

We now have 31 pupils enrolled in the elementary school as follows:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No. of pupils	2	4	7	3	4	3	4	4

The school has received all needed instructional materials, books and supplies consistant with our budget and may be considered as well provided for in school needs.

We have paid high school tuition since September 4 on the following pupils at Erskine Academy: Mary Colby, Arlene Dodge, Keith Hodsdon and Pearl Nickerson. The legal tuition rate of Erskine Academy for the present school year is \$284.42 per pupil. The State average cost of High School tuition covering all secondary schools is \$301.40. For any High School which offers three or more courses of study of which two are occupational the charge may go as high as \$346.61 per pupil for the school year.

The cooperation of Citizens, School Committee, Town Officials and Mrs. Brown are gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. SNOW
Supt. of Schools

FINANCIAL SCHOOL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year 1956-57

Receipts

Balance from 1956.....	\$ 131.90	
Appropriated by the Plantation.....	3,200.00	
State General Purpose Aid.....	2,925.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,256.90

Expenditures

Teachers' wages	\$2,060.00	
Fuel.....	116.00	
Janitor and cleaning.....	97.25	
Conveyance.....	2,678.00	
High School tuition.....	849.82	
Books and supplies.....	128.39	
Electric lights.....	32.71	
	<hr/>	\$5,962.17
Unexpended		\$ 294.73

REPAIRS ACCOUNT

Unexpended from 1956.....	\$232.28	
Expended to date.....	1.50	
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Unexpended		\$230.78

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. SNOW
Superintendent of Schools

**1956 ANNUAL REPORT OF
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING IN SOMERVILLE**

Somerville has had an increase in its community health services during the past year. This no doubt resulted from the emphasis on protecting children from poliomyelitis by use of the Salk vaccine. The vaccine was offered free by the state for as many under twenty years of age at clinics as parents were willing to sign consents for. It was possible to have two polio clinics at the school in February and June when twenty-two children received first and second vaccinations. There are now over thirty children waiting for third or booster polio vaccinations and plans have been made for giving these in January.

Two child health conferences for children under school age were held in July with an attendance of thirteen and eleven. Physical examinations were given by Dr. Gross and immunizations against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping-cough along with polio vaccinations. Dr. Gross also gave the polio vaccinations at school.

Mrs. Colby, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Grover assisted in plans for the clinics and child health conferences. Parents have shown a real interest in the programs.

Home visiting was done as in past years assisting mothers by teaching good nutrition and health practices for all the family and to help with plans for overcoming health problems of individuals.

I have appreciated the response on the part of parents and have also appreciated the interest and help from those mentioned who assisted in the year's health program.

ADA W. AMES
Public Health Nurse
Department of Health and Welfare

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending February 29, 1956

TRANSMITTAL

Board of Assessors
Somerville Plantation
State of Maine

Gentlemen:

At your request I have examined the records of Somerville Plantation for its fiscal year which closed February 29th last, and now transmit my report of audit.

The scope and method of my examination have been the same as in my audit for the year last preceding, on which I reported to you on June 25, 1955.

For the period now covered, I find your commitment based on appropriations duly voted; the records of your Clerk, Collector and Treasurer in order; your insurance and surety bond protection apparently sound; your own doings, so far as ascertainable from the records, in accordance with your statutory authority.

COMMENT

You will note in Schedule A-2 of the accompanying report that on February 29th the balance currently outstanding of taxes receivable for the closing year was respectably smaller than the corresponding figure for any of the several years immediately preceding; this is very satisfactory.

It is also to be noted, at the same time, that approximately thirty per cent of this outstanding balance of 1955-56 taxes represents real estate taxes assessed against property upon which the municipality holds tax liens which have matured. When this is taken into consideration, it may appear to you that the Unappropriated Surplus shown in Exhibit C is a matter of computation rather than a voucher of actual values.

The questions of policy involved have doubtless had your attention.

An adjustment of the amount of the commitment to allow for the inclusion of supplemental tax in the original commitment, which I have set out in Exhibit E, will clarify the statement in the Annual Report. I have also noted in the Report errors which I take to be clerical or typographical in the totaling of valuation reported, and in the amount of the overlay. In both these respects, the municipal books are themselves in order. The Collector, in his report, which is substantiated by proper vouchers, duly accounts for the amount committed.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS W. JACOB,
Auditor

August 31, 1956

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EXHIBIT A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

	February 29, 1956	February 28, 1955
Assets		
Cash:		
Demand Deposit.....	\$ 949.13	\$2,242.97
Time Deposit.....	207.75	207.75
Currency.....	883.97	none
	<u>\$2,040.85</u>	<u>\$2,450.72</u>
Accounts Receivable (A-1).....	958.49	794.80
Taxes Receivable (A-2).....	1,520.98	1,937.61
less Reserve for Losses.....	14.41	14.41
	<u>1,506.57</u>	<u>1,923.20</u>
Tax Liens (A-3).....	1,804.84	1,671.73
less Reserve for Losses.....	4.18	4.18
	<u>1,800.66</u>	<u>1,667.55</u>
TOTAL ASSETS.....	<u><u>\$6,306.57</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,836.27</u></u>
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable (A-4).....	\$ 338.47	\$ 364.30
Reserve		
Authorized Expenditures.....	1,176.86	2,280.78
(Exhibit D)		
Surplus		
Unappropriated (Exhibit C)....	4,791.24	4,191.19
	<u><u>\$6,306.57</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,836.27</u></u>

EXHIBIT C

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS

Year Ended February 29, 1956

Unappropriated Surplus—February 28, 1955..... \$4,191.19

INCREASE:

Excess of Available Funds over Expenditures..... \$422.30

(Exhibit B)

1954 Tax Exemption Rebate..... 174.75

Supplemental 1954 Poll Tax post-assessed..... 3.00

600.05**UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS**—February 29, 1956..... \$4,791.24

EXHIBIT B

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT
OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, YEARS**

	Feb. 29, 1956	Feb. 28, 1955	Feb. 15, 1954
REVENUES:			
Real, Personal and Poll Taxes .	\$ 7,190.72	\$ 7,403.38	\$ 7,127.60
Supplemental Taxes.....	21.16	15.00	3.00
Excise Taxes.....	716.68	432.91	583.96
State of Maine.....	7,866.25	8,392.01	10,544.01
Somerville Plantation.....		19.96	
Sales (School).....	8.50		
Costs on Tax Liens.....	89.24	78.14	87.54
TOTAL REVENUES.....	\$15,892.55	\$16,341.40	\$18,346.11
Changes in total balances carried forward:			
DEDUCT Increases.....		557.48	389.25
ADD Decrease.....	1,103.92		
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS.	\$16,996.47	\$15,783.92	\$17,956.86
EXPENDITURES:			
General Government.....	\$ 1,466.18	\$ 1,379.06	\$ 1,368.86
Protection.....	130.50	103.85	89.00
Health.....	15.00	15.00	15.00
Highways and Bridges.....	8,031.58	8,063.27	10,565.59
Education.....	6,166.54	5,574.78	5,137.01
Interest and Discount.....	55.13	48.71	79.97
Special Assessment.....	310.80	272.25	272.25
Memorial Day.....	15.00	15.00	15.00
Chadwick Account.....	13.68	123.66	19.49
Pine Blister Rust Control.....	96.60	99.77	100.00
Porcupine Bounty.....	175.00		
Abatements.....	98.16		62.95
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	\$16,574.17	\$15,695.35	\$17,725.12
Excess of Available Funds over Expenditures (add).....	422.30	88.57	231.74
Available Funds, supra.....	\$16,996.47	\$15,783.92	\$17,956.86

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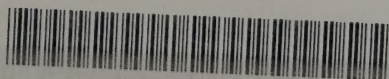


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